



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
Barry Rassin, International President 2018-2019

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**This Week's Program: January 17, 2019
At Uptown!**

Club Expo

**Next Week's Program: January 24, 2019
At WC Golf and County Club**

**Speaker: Skip Torreson
The Stewardship Group- Uganda**

MINUTES by Charles Streitwieser

VP Matt Holliday opened the meeting. **Gary Hess** offered a poem as the invocation.

Catherine Friedman welcomed us in her capacity as the new Executive Director of the Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center. She thanked all 63 members who attended the Holiday Party at **Sue and Bob Rogers'** home.

Program Notes:

Christine Wildauer, our honorable Fruit Czarina, announced the 2019 recipient of our Fruit Sale proceeds: The Chester County OIC (Opportunities Industrialization Center). The expected donation will be \$7,000, based on recent historical experience.

Joyce Chester, the Executive Director of the Chester County OIC, presented her program to us. By the way, she is a Rotarian member of the Greater West Chester Sunrise Club. She has been executive director for 18 years. **Gary Hess** is Chairman of their Board of Directors.

The proceeds of the sale will fund support for the GED Program. The Chester County OIC has been contracted by the PA Department of Education (an unfunded mandate) to administer the program in Chester County. The GED is the General Equivalency Diploma – achieved through testing – and is equivalent to the standard High School Diploma in the State of Pennsylvania and nationwide. Fruit Sale proceeds will help to fund supplies, transportation for students and assessment fees for potential students. There are currently 30 GED classes offered in Chester County. It is an all-volunteer effort!

The Chester County OIC will have a ribbon cutting on their new facility in Coatesville on January 21st at 1:30pm. See details at www.ccoic.org Their unofficial motto is: "Helping people help themselves!" They will be celebrating their 40th Anniversary in the community where they began.

ADDITIONAL NOTES by Faith Woodward

Dominic from *PeeJay's Fresh Fruit* reported two of the prices have gone down from last year and due to the weather, some grapefruit will be smaller.

He will send us the link to purchase fruit and to share with friends and customers for their purchases. One can place orders on line by paying with a credit card or buy through one of us with cash or checks. In the comment line one can name a non-profit to have ordered fruit delivered.

SELL FRUIT



SAVE THE DATE

Jan 17 Meeting at Uptown!
Jan 19 Community Warehouse Day 9AM to 2
PM. Volunteer through Jeannie

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at
<http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>

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